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TEL AVIV, Feb. 5 (AFP). — Foreign Minister Yigai Allon today confirmed be would hold talks in Brussels next week with his French opposite number Louis de Guiringaud. Mr. Allon, taking part in a meeting at a Negev desert kibbutz, told an Israeli Radio correspondent that the first subject he would take up with Mr. de Guiringaud was the release by a French court of Palestinian activist Abu Dawud. Mr. Dawud was accused by Israel of masterminding the 1972 Munich olympics attack. According to the correspondent, Mr. Allon stressed that he looked forward to normalising relations with France, but doubt-ed that the talks in Brussels would have any real affect.

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ture relations. Reports from Damascus said King Hussein was expected to begin a dialogue with a PLO delegation in Amman at the end of the coming week, in an effort to end a rift that dates from 1970.

But well informed sources here said Mr. Khaled Al Fa-houm, Speaker of the Palestine National Council -- the Palestinian parliament-in-exile -- is

expected here on Monday to begin the dialogue. While reports circulated in the Syrian capital that the Jordanian monarch may meet Mr. Arafat during his visit, the so-urces here thought such a me-eting was unlikely at the pre-

But they expected a reconciliation between the two leaders during a summit of confrontation states likely to be held in Damascus next month, King Hussein's visit to Da-

mascus is seen here as part of the overall Arab activity in pre-paration for the projected Ge-neva peace conference.

Last December President Assad went to Cairo for talks with President Sadat, which led to the formation of a unified political command.

Two weeks ago King Hus-sein had talks with President Sadat in Aswan, Upper Egypt, which, according to Jordanian officials, strengthened Arab so-lidarity and brought Egypt and Jordan nearer together.

"Confrontation summit" expected in mid-March

AMMAN, Feb. S (R). — A mi-ni-summit conference grouping the front-line Arab states and the Palestinians is expected to be held in Damascus in mid-March, well-informed sources said bere today.

Egypt, Syria, Jordan and Le-banon, and the Palestine Libe-ration Organisation (PLO) will take part in the projected con-ference, to precede the Geneva Middle East peace talks, the sources added.

Originally the conference was expected to be held in the middle of this month but the sources said it was postponed until next month because of the di-plomatic activity in the Middle



INROAD INTO AFRICA? -- Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin (left), looks on as Ivory Coast President Houphouet-Bolgny signs the joint communique at the end of their meeting in Geneva Friday.

Allon plays down link between Rabin's meeting with Ivory Coast president and M.E. mediation efforts

TEL AVIV, Feb. 5 (Agencies).

— Israeli Foreign Minister Yigal Allon said today Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin met Ivory 'Coast President Felix Hou-phouet - Boigny yesterday to belp mend relations with Afri-

Mr. Allon told reporters the three-hour meeting was "part of Israel's efforts to renew its former close and warm relations with Africa.

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Ethiopia will step up socialist programme

among Ethiopia's military rulers seemed likely today to lead to a new, hard-line attitude to opposition and an accelerated programme of uncompromising socialism.

Lt.-Col. Mengistu Haile-Mariam, who emerged as victor from the upheavel with bis leadership of the country reinforced, told a buge rally yesterday he would arm the people to protect the revolution.

He said he would also push for the implementation of a "national democratic revolution" -- a blneprint for the nation's future which has been gathering dust since it was issued by him last April.

Col. Mengistu, First Vice Chairman of the Dergue, the ruling military Council, is the formal leader of Ethiopia as well as its actual bead, following the death of the head of state, Brig.-Gen. Teferi Bante. on Thursday.

After a gun-battle around the Dergue's headquarters on Thur-sday, the official radio announced that Gen. Teferi and six other members of the council had been executed for attemptformer close and warm rela-tions with Africa and the talks were a most important step in that direction."

His remarks were seen as re-inforcing comments by Mr. Ra-bin who said on television yesterday the talks were aimed at restoring diplomatic ties sever-ed by African nations after the 1973 Middle East war,

Mr. Rabin denied that President Houpbouet Boigny was mediating in the Arab-Israeli dispute though. He said there had been an exchange on the Middle East aituation.

Observers here nevertheless believe the meeting was part of a renewed diplomatic effort to overcome differences on reconvening the Geneva Middle East Peace Conference and reach a new settlement.

drawal from Arab territories occupied in 1967, which is to be tackled at any forthcoming peace talks, has a large bearing on wbether African states are likely to renew their ties with Israel. ·

The observers added that Mr. Rabin might be playing down the possibility of the Ivory Coast president's mediating in peace talks so as not to be involved in a highly controver-sial question just before the forthcoming general elections

According to Israeli sources in Geneva, Mr. Rabin himself requested the meeting be had in the Swiss city yesterday with the Ivory Coast president. Mr. Rabin reviewed his go-vernment's position on the Middle East situation, the sources

In a joint communique issued after the meeting in Geneva yesterday, Mr. Houphouet-Boi-gny and Mr. Rabin agreed that a dialogue is the best way to achieve peace in the Middle East based nn U.N. Security Council resolutions 242 and

Israeli sources said the Ivory Coast president told Mr. Rabin be was surry that the West had "abandoned African moderates, making things easier for the Cubans in Angola." Mr. Houphouet-Boigny recal-led that Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) council member Issam Sartawi bad delivered a message to him from the PLO last Jan. 27 and that he hoped to keep up the con-tacts, the sources said.

The Ivory Coast president and the Israeli prime minister agreed to maintain the contact they established yesterday but did not set any date for a subsequent meeting, the sources

At the talks, Mr. Rabin was accompanied by his chief aide, Elie Mizrahi, and his press ad-viser, Dan Patir. Israeli Ambassador Mosbe Allon acted as the interpreter.

Mr. Rabin flew back to Israel immediately after the me-

During the interview on Isracli Television last night, Mr. Rabin soid he hoped the meet-ing in Geneva would belp Israel to "pave the way back to Afri-

Israeli Foreign Ministry sour-ces stressed that while Africans were having "second tho-ughts" about breaking relations with Israel, there was still a long way to go before diplo-matic relations were restored between Israel and the African

He meets Arafat

Waldheim: This is the last chance for peace

DAMASCUS, Feb. 5 (R). — United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim tonight described efforts to achieve peace in the Middle East as last chance.

'This is the last chance we have. If we fail, the danger of a military confrontation will be very near," Dr. Waldheim said after a two and a half hour meeting with Syrian President Hafez Assad.

The U.N. chief, who is visi-ting Arab countries to explore prospects of reconvening the Geneva Middle East conference, later met Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat in Dama-

He told a news conference that his talks with President Assad were 'very frank and very informative, and belped me to understand better the

Syrian government's stand."

Their discussion covered the possibility of resuming the Geneva conteresce and ways in achieving a Middle East settle-ment, he added.

The U.N. chief also met Sy-rian Premier Abdul Rahman Khleifawi, concluding his discussions with Syrian officials. Official sources said Mr. Arafat discussed developments of the Palestine problem with President Assad at a meeting less than half an bour after the president conferred with

D1. Waldheim. Mr. Arafat earlier met Syrian Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khad-

Dr. Waldheim said be would submit a report on his Middle East tour to the Security Council no later than March and it was up to the council to decide what action to take.

"I cannot tell as from now how the council will Answering reporters' ques-

tions be said bis main concern now was "to proceed carefully with all caution and without rusb to prepare the first steps leading to Geneva, and then I will decide whether to proceed turtber."

He again said that the general feeling of the governments he has met was that the timing of the Geneva conference was not the main issue, but the procedure was more important. Dr. Waldheim, who came bere yesterday after talks with

the Arab Revolution News Ag-

ency of Libya. He accused the Egyptian lea

der of "betraying" the Arab cause by his willingness to "legitimise" the existence of

He added as other examples

of "high treason" the question of Palestine, Sinai, talks with

Israelis at "kilnmetre 101" after

Egyptian leaders in Cairo, has been urged in both capitals to recall the Geneva conference not later than next month, with the participation of the Pales-tine Liberatim Organisation (PLO), according to official so-

His remark suggested that

Anwar Sadat nf Egypt had pressed the need for the PLO to take part as being more important than the recall of the Dr. Waldheim said once procedure was agreed upon the timing could easily be fixed.

N.Y. magazine quotes him

Sadat ready to recognise

"the fact of Israel"

NEW YCRK, Feb. 6 (AFP). — Egyptian President Anwar Sa-dat is ready to sign a "peace agreement" which would recowith the United States president, Mr. Sadat sald.

gnise "the fact of Israel." "This is something that no Arab leader has ever said," the Egyptian chief of state said in an interview with New York's Simday magazine Parade. Claiming that "never before

have the prospects for peace been better", between israel and its Arab neighbours, the Egyptian president called on the region "not to lose this

President Sadat also appealed to President Jimmy Carter to pay beed to his call. "I rea-lise the man has just come into office and I don't want to burry him before be has a chance to acquaint himself with our situation", be said. But it was "of the utmost importance" that he should talk face to face

USSR, Egypt to hold talks next week

CAIRO, Feb. 5 (R). — Egypt and the Soviet Union, which President Anwar Sadat has indirectly hlamed for Egyptian food riots last month, will hold talks next week, the Middle East News Agency reported to-

The discussions, between Foreign Ministry officials of both countries, are expected to touch on a revival of the Middle East peace conference in Gene-va, observers said.

The talks will be the first since the foreign ministers of Egypt and the Soviet Union met in Bulgaria late last year.

Soviet newspapers have atta-cked President Sadat's government over the food riots. The president has accused Commu-nists of inciting them and Mos-cow of opposing his liberalisatinn policies.

Saudi, Egyptian finance ministers confer

CAIRO, Feb. 5 (R). — Egyptian Deputy Premier for Economic Affairs, Dr. Abdul Mon'em Qaisuni held talks bere today nn the Egyptian economy with Saudi Finance Minister, Sheikh Mohammad Ali Abul Khail.

Dr. Qaisuni said the talks were held in an atmosphere of understanding of the social and economic situation in Egypt, the middle east news agency

Sheikh Abul Khail and the Foreign Minister, Prince Saud Al Faisal, arrived bere yesterday with a message from King Khaled to President Anwar Sadat. The note is believed to deal with possible Saudi aid in the wake of last month's food riots in Egypt.

Dr. Qaisuni is expected to tour a number of Arab countries next month for talks on means to strengthen the Egyptian economy, facing an estimated budget deficit this year of 1.3 billion pounds (same ster-

Foreign Minister Ismail Fah-

mi yesterday beld talks with Prince Saud, believed to have dealt with the discussions U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldbeim beld in Cairo on the prospects of the reconvening of the Geneva peace conference.

The United States was "es-

sential to the peace process here," the Egyptian president said. He stressed that he was not asking Washington "to drop its special relation with Israel", but he called for better relations between his country and the United States. . The Egyptian leader paid tri-

The Egyptian leader paid tri-bute to the role played by for-mer U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger In previous negotiations. "Both my country and Israel needed someone we could trust because, understan-dably, neither of us had any trust in the other. Henry Kissinger turned out to be that man" he said.

Mr. Sadat said that be would have prefered to negotiate with former Israell Premier Mrs. Golda Meir rather than with Premier Yitzhak Rabin, whose government, be said, was weak and feared peace.

"Even though Mrs. Meir is a hawk, she at least has guts -she has all the guts in Israel,"

V.P. lambasts Sadat's proposed law and order legislation

aleddin Hussein has labelled unconstitutional President Anwar Sadat's proposed legislation to keep law and order which is to be put before vnters on Thursday, the influential newspaper Al Gomhouria reported today.

President Sadat announced

his constitutional rights in issuing orders stipulating severe punishment for demonstrators, saboteurs and rioters, and calling for the plebiscite to de-cide on them. The proposals follow last month's bloody demonstrations over moves to raise prices nf food and fuel. Seventy-nine people were killed and about 80 injured.

ser, sent a cable to his former colleague President Sadat saying: "The bad policy of your government and the funlish policies of previous governments are responsible for the events of January 18 and 19." Al Gomhouria said.

"Instead of punishing your government for dereliction and waiting for the verdict of the judiciary on instigators of sabotage ... you punished the

He said the measures went against all constitutional val-

Al Gomhouria said President Sadat had referred Mr. Hussein's cable to the People's Ass-

Cairo newspapers today attacked Mr. Hussein's attitude. The semi-official Al Abram said it did not publish the me-

himself and his country."

ptians will vote in Thursday's poll on the sweeping law and order measures.

A breakthrough in Middle East peace moves could sborten that road considerably.

Qadhafi launches virulent verbal attack on Sadat

TRIPOLI, Fsb. 5 (R). — Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi attacked President Anwar Sadat of Egypt today in a cable saying that it would take 50 years to heal the differences between

Their dispute needed "half a century of persevering strife to remove the traces of your ag-

gression on the national cause, Col. Qadhafi told the Egyptian leader in the cable quoted by

Unified Egypto-Syrian command to coordinate peace offensive

By Nabil Jumbert

CAIRO, Feb. 5 (AFP). - The hasty formation of a unified Egyptian-Syrian policy-making command announced yesterday was apparently spurred by the current Middle East tour of United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim.

The plan for the unified command was announced last December, but never mentioned again until yesterday.

At the time observers thought the plan would be as short-lived as an Egyptian-Syrian "permanent" coordination committee that only met once, and cooperation agreement that died after one month.

Dr. Waldheim arrived here

three days ago and Syrian Fo-reign Minister Abdul Halim Kh-

addam unexpectedly flew in the next day to confer with President Anwar Sadat. As Dr. Waldheim was landing in Damascus the following day, Egypt and Syria announced the composition of the unified command grouping the

the two countries' premiers

Egypt and Syria apparently wanted to coordinate their attitude to reconvening the Geneva conference before Dr. Waldheim conferred on that thorny subject with Israel and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat during the secretary general's current tour.

mand as announced in December was to prepare for the union of the two countries, but that is a long-range project, according to a senior Egyptian official.

The immediate goal seemed to be to establish a unified viewpoint concerning Palestinian representation at the Geneva

Arab diplomats here believe ply supplying Syria.

the two governments will finally agree nn sending a single delegation to Geneva

will be to obtain Egyptian support for Syrian efforts to pacthe civil war, observers said.

Advantages for Egypt will be the opportunity to seek greater Syrian flexibility concerning the Geneva conference, and to draw Syria away from Soviet influence.

eatedly pointed out that the Soviet Union cut off their supply of weapons and parts more than three years ago, while am-

into Botswana

gedly abducted from Rhodesia, a government spokesman said

They refused to allow eight buses carrying the parents into Botswana, saying they did not have enough Botswana curren-cy to pay the road levy, the

accommodated at Plumtree, a Rhodesian border town, and attempts will be made again tomorrow to get the buses across the border, the spokesman said. A total of 400 school students - - 230 boys and 170 girls

Botswana authorities bave alleged that the students were fleeing from harrassment by Rhodesian security forces and some of the students, who bave spoken to newsmen in Francistown, Botswana, said they free will to join Rhodesian nationalist leader Joshua Nkomo's "freedom fighters".

and foreign and defence mini-

The goal of the unified com-

legation to Geneva including the Palestinians, while Egypt has contended that the Palestine Liberatinn Organisation (PLO) should have a delegation of its own to keep its demands from being stifled.

the 1973 war and the ssing of your armies in the face nf Libyan villages and oases."

armed forces.

Egyptian leaders have rep-

Former Egyptian

CAIRO, Feb. 5 (R). — Former Egyptian Vice President Kam-

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Mr. Hussein, vice-president under the late President Nas-

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ssage because it was "full of impudence and prevarication." "We cannot imagine it was sent or could be sent from a citizen who is supposed to be working in politics, respecting

More than nine million Egy-

war. It last met in 1974 had 185 members. In-sources said that the d council would now tic spell still grips east U.S. esh snowfall adds to

Ruffalo's tribulations YORK, Feb. 5 (R). — Snow today fell for the 48th utive day on the paralysed New York State city falo, where thousands of people are thought to be ed in their homes.

esident Carter reacted by declaring the paralysed

a major disaster area, making it eligible for ind federal aid. for the stricken area, also applied to a snowbound
1 Michigan.

leary troops, national guardsmen and municipal rs struggled to clear drifts as high as 10 metres

-2t) brought on by the arctic weather. t least 22 people have died in Buffalo and an un--3d number are believed unable to leave their honore than a week after a savage blizzard virtually

- sed the area. , threat of near-blizzard conditions for this weekeceded, however. A low-pressure centre believed g towards Buffalo was later expected to skirt the nit region. is the coldest winter of the century continued to

he eastern half of the United States, snow warniub-freezing temperatures were expected tonight in iy suffered severe frost damage.

'ut in the far west, farmers suffering from a drought

promised rain approaching from the Pacific.

1111111 Livay for its long-delayed ADDIS ABABA, Feb. 5 (R). — ing a coup against the revolu-

The seven reported executed were known to have tried to limit the powers of Col. Mengistu, who had effectively led

the Dergue since 1974.

since the shooting. But informed sources said a series of arrests had begun. One of those reported to habeen detained is the acting Information Minister, Ato Ta-

Addis Ababa has been calm

desse Gebre-Heywot. While Col. Mengistu works on "the creation of a workers" party" -- his number two is busy arming the people.

Lt.-Col. Atnafu Abate, the
Dergue's Second Vice Chairman, who is reported to have had bitter differences with Col. Mengistu, left bere today for southwest Ethiopia to see new

units of the people's militia he has been establishing throughout the country.

Col. Atnafu was on a similar trip when the palace hattle took place and returned only yester-Diplomatic envoys here of the Soviet Union, China, Cuba, Hungary and East Germany co-

nveyed messages of support to-day to Col. Mengistu. Parents of 400 schoolchildren not allowed

SALISBURY, Feb. 5 (AFP). — Botswana authorities today barred 140 Rhodesian African parents from entering the country lo see their children, alle-

spokesman said.

All the parents are now being -- were reportedly taken to

Botswana from the Manama

mission achool at gunpoint by

guerrillas last Sunday night.

crossed the border of their own

two presidents, their deputies,

Until now, Syria has advocated sending a single Arab de-

The underlying advantage to Syria of a unified command

ify Lebanon in the wake of Syrian leaders are known to be skeptical about chances of resuming the Geneva conference in the near future.

The unified command also provides for resumed military cooperation, suspended when Egypt withdrew its MIG fighter planes from Syria in October 1975. Egypt probably hopes it will be able to obtain Soviet spare parts from the Syrian

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Defiance in action

The Israeli sense of timing is cosmic and extraordinary, and it was brought into action again two days ago when a "senior Foreign Ministry official" gave a briefing to journalists in Tel Aviv. The main points made were that Israel now prefers some other peace-making forum besides the Geneva conference, and that it would steadfastly refuse to have anything to do with the PLO. The extraordinary point here is how Israel keeps piling high the building blocks of its isolation, and how it waits for international opinion to peak before coming out with ideas of its own that seek to break down a fragile global consensus. In its views on the Geneva talks and the PLO, Israel has again done just this, and nobody seems to bat an eyelash when Israel routinely throws a monkeywrench into concerted global efforts to bring peace to the Middle East.

The consensus of the entire world, as expressed recently at the General Assembly, is that a speedy resumption of the Geneva conference would be the best way to proceed towards peace in the Middle East. To bring this about, the U.S. Secretary General, the patient and diplomatically ehullient Mr. Waldheim, has been sent out here this month, with the moral backing of the entire earth, and charged with trying to bring the parties to the conflict to the negotiating table at Geneva by next month. Now that he is here in the region, the Israelis undecorously pull the rug out from under his peripatetic feet. The least the Israelis could have done would have been to make their announcement before Mr. Waldheim started his trip, thus saving the U.N. much money and Mr. Waldheim much time.

Along with the universal agreement about the need to resume the Geneva talks, the other point that has won near unanimous international recognition is that the PLO must talk for the Palestinians, especially at a resumed Geneva conference. Again, Israel defies the entire world by standing firm against any dealings with the PLO.

What is noteworthy is how Israel continues to swim against the tide of peace possibilities that has generated so much talk and consultations in the past everal months. There is nothing new in how Israel defies the whole world, and nothing really surprising in the latest positions it has taken.

What is surprising is how the whole world remains so nonchalant. Will it take nothing less than another worldwide American nuclear alert, such as the one that was called in October 1973, for sensible people to see the full implications of Israeli defiance?

Or is the whole world terrified that Israel will call its ambassadors back home for consultations?



'There'll always be an England. . . . '

By Francis Renny

The Christian Scieoce Monitor News Service

LONDON - Devolution - is it a recipe for saving the United Kingdom, or for dismant-

People who have been blocking their ears at the sound of the dreaded word are going to have to listen oow, and make up their minds. The Callaghan government has published its bill to create Scottisb and Welsb Assemblies. The parliamentary battle has beeo ioined.

If the bill passes, 150 Scottish Assembly members and 80 Welsh could take their seats in about 18 mooths from oow. At first they would operate under a kind of modified federal system, with Londoo holding the purse strings, the police powers and the constitutional veto.

But further ahead lie possibilities that oobody would have dreamed of when Britain emerged from World War II: Scotthe United Nations, Scottish and Welsh embassies round the world, Scottish and Welsh armed forces, currencies, front-

iers and customs barriers. Advocates of the new devolution bill are saying that such things will come to pass if their bill is not accepted. Oppooents are saying they are even more likely if it is.

What proportion of the Welsh and Scots really want to go it alone, how far it is a passing craze of the dream of

Will devolution save the **U.K.** or dismantle it?

very hard to say.

The Scottish National Party

seems to command 30-40 per ceot of the vote oorth of the border. The Welsb Party (Plaid Cymru) is very much weaker. Westminster would oot have been pushed toward devolutioo at all but for two factors: The declining prestige of the Loodoo government as a force in world, and the discovery of oil in the North Sea within what are, debatably, Scottish

limits. Wales has bad no such ecooomic booster. And while Scotland still has memories of the Jacobite revolts and its own Parliament as late as 1707; Wales was absorbed and subjugated by the English Crown back in the Middle Ages.

If the two nations have any commoo origin for their nationalisms, it is half a century ("misrepresented" the nationalists would say) by mainly La-bour MPs at Westminster. To that extent, the Labour leadership has brought the constitutional crisis on itself.

And nothing has so divided the parties at Westminster since the issue of joining Europe. Though this is a govern-ment bill, there are Scottish Labour MPs who see devolution as suicide for their party; and though the Conservative opposition is pledged to resist

a power-bungry minority, it is . the bill, there are Scottish Tories who believe it would be suicidal for them to do so.

English members of both parties reseot the special treatment being given to 5.2 millioo Scots and 2.7 millioo Welsh, while 46 million English get no special privileges - except the promise of some devolution in future to the English regions, for which there is little popular demand.

A special cause of resent-ment is that Scottish and Welsh members will still stay oo at Westminster voting oo "Englisb" affairs. Cynics maintain this is because Scotland and Wales supply the Labour Party with its parliamentary majority.

What these suspicions and resentments will add up to in terms of voting oo the devolution bill it is quite impossible to forecast, so intricate are the crosscurrents.

There are many questions that still remain to be answered, Michael Foot, the govern-ment's pilot for the bill, describes it as "a framework", still to be filled in, modified and amended. So the possibility of a referendum at some stage remains open, following the example of the refereodum or Europe.

But how would the options be worded? And who would be eligible to vote? Only re-

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nations. It did not seem mere conci-

of Cyprus settlemen

tions problems Internationally, Turkey can only benefit from a chance to show it is seeking a settle-ment in good faith.

ANKARA, Feb. 5 (R). -Signs of movement toward a Cyprus settlement have bro-

ught expressions of relief from officials here -_ though the road to any agreement appears full of pitfalls. The start of meetings bet-

ween Greek-Cypriot President Makarios and Turkish-Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash could

not have come at a better time to ease Turkey's foreign rela-

At home, the prospect of negotiations carries immediate risks for the stability of the shaky and divided coalition government here, now trying to survive until elections due this year. This is one of seve-ral factors which will make Ankara remain very cautious.

But abroad, the U.S. Congress and the Carter administration are expected to come to grips in the coming months with the question of military aid levels for Turkey, and Ankara has again come under fire in Western Europe over its troops' role in Cyprus. show that Turkey is working

sident Scots and Welsh, or the millions more who have set-tled in England and might somehow claim to be Scots and Welsh? And why should not the English also be allowed to vote oo the dismemberment of their country? if oo little else.

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Jabal Luweibdeh — Haouz Circle

The weekly holiday shall be on

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Potential conflict over mooey is only one of the traps that seem to have been built into the legislation. Frictions between the Edinburgh Assembly and the Westminster Parliment, between the Scottish Nationalists and the Loodonbased Secretary of State for Scotland, seem inevitable. And in the Assembly, they would find a stage for dramatic presentatioo -- even the plotting of a breakaway.

Yet anyone who bas visited Scotland recently will be aware of the almost truculent demand to take over power from "bungling Loodon".

for a settlement, a host of problems may be eased in re-lations with the U.S. and other

Ankara breathes sigh of relief at prospect

dence that Turkey's latest troops withdrawal from Cyp-rus — of 1,000 commandos __ came as the Carter administration took office in America and just before the Maka-rics-Denktash meeting in Ni-

Most Western diplomats here seem convinced that the maintenance of a military force in Cyprus is a headache for Tur-key — and informed Turks make the point repeatedly.

Any settlement, however, will clearly have to be consisteot with the cooviction among both officials and the public that Ankara has a responsibi-lity to protect the Turkish-Cypriot minority.

If the road to a settlement is long — and the questions to be resolved suggest that it will be — this could be convenient for the present government here. The government is likely to be especially careful because of the presence within it of a bitterly anticompromise party, ready to make political capital if Ankara can be accused of guiding

Mr. Denktash into concessions: The ruling coalition could easily be split over the Cyprus

There is an irony here: the leaders of Turkey's two big parties, Premier Suleyman Demirel and opposition leader Bulent Ecevit, are believed to be close in their views on the need for a Cyprus settlement,

But Deputy Premier Neomettin Erbakan and his National Salvation Party (NSP), a vital part of Premier Demirel's coalition, are the standard-be-arers of a vocal, highly nationalistic minority holding out for a unilateral declaration of independence by Turkish-Cypri-

With elections due by Octoher at the latest, either Mr. Demirel or Mr. Ecevit seems certain to emerge as prime minister -- though either might have to turn once again to the ever-present Mr. Erbakan to achieve a parliamentary majo-

More than two years after

But, in fact, officials well aware that, if they

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One Jordanian daily Saturday comments on largel's efforts, and the many excuses it finds, to obstruct the resumption of the Geneva Middle East Peace Conference, while the two other dailies discuss Israel's unwavering policy of confiscation and expropriation of Arab lands.

AL RA'I, commenting on the latest Israeli claim that the Uoited States, acting as an intermediary, has a better chance to solve the Middle East conflict than would the Geneva peace conference, says : Israel is trying to ridicule Mr. Waldheim's visit and lessen its importance as it is not in its favour. Mr. Waldheim carries with him a number of U.N. resolutions be aring a moral value, and Israel has no wish to deal with morals or ethics, in particular with an organisation which has grouped it with the white racism of Rhodesia. Israeli evasion from the Geneva conference only confirms Israel's moral isolation from the rest of the world, a situation which it had always tried to avoid being placed in, as it will leave it with no other alternative but to be considered an entity which owes its existence to a specific incongruity of U.S. foreign policy, the paper concludes.

AL DUSTOUR discusses is rael's policy of expansion which it is carrying out in the occupied lands, and says: "We question the seriousness of the current peace moves when all indications and Israeli declarations, it seems, have made it clear that Israel has opted to keep its hold on land instead

of achieving peace." Would it not be more useful if international efforts were concentrated to force Israel to stop its expansionist policy and have it change its option of holding ooto occupied territories?" the paper asks. The road to Geneva will be of no use if these two conditions are not fulfilled, and all the talk about a resumption of the conference would seem strange and weird at a time when the gap between Israel's choice and the purpose of the conference become wi-

AL SHA'B, taking up the same subject, says: The news of a oew road to link areas of Palestine occupied in 1948 to the Jordan Valley are but new proof of Israel's intention as to the future it reserves for the lands it has occupied. Despite the various U.N. condemnations of that expansionist policy, and the present trend and concen-trated efforts for peace, Israel cootinues with its expansionist policy, oot beeding the international consensus for a just and permanent peace based on U.N. resolutions 242 and 238. Israel so far has oot given a single positive bit of proof of its real desire for peace, but, to the contrary, it perseveres to implemeot its expansionist policy even at such a significant time as the present, when peace efforts are being carried out by all parties. This trend in Israeli policy makes us become more aware of the importance of His Majesty King Hussein's warnings that too much optimism about the Geneva Middle East peace talks might be disappointing, the paper says.

The King's warnings, the paper adds, represent a call to all Arabs to equip themselves with the true strength which will enable them to recover their rights by military action, with the same zeal they have shown in their preparation for the battle for peace through

the Geneva conference.

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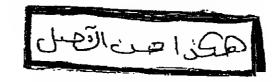
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During his coming tour German help toward Mideast settlement



NIAN - W. GERMAN COOPERATION - - His Highness Crown Prince Hassan and W. German In a Minister Hans-District Genscher sign a cooperation agreement between the two countries white - 15, 1977 Mr. Genscher will start his Middle East tour on Tuesday evening.

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AMMAN (JNA). - A 20-mem-

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The talks will centre on the

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The delegation is composed

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Germany, like its part-the European Economic in inity, wants to see the East peace conference sible with the aim of azzuring an overall settlement and is a Israel and the Arab.

srael, which Herr Genvisited last year, but alports the right of Palestinians in areas occupied by Israel to self-determination.

During the visit to Amman, · Herr Genscher plans to visit the East Bank of the River Jordan. He declined to tour the Israeli-occupied West Bank during his visit to Israel last

Officials said West Germany, presently a member of the U.N. Security Council, shared Dr. Waldheim's view that the reconvening of the Geneva conference which last met in December 1973 -- was the best chance of attaining a settlem-

But Bonn does not underestimate the difficulties of set-tling the question of Palestinian representation at Geneva. since Israel refuses to accept the presence there of the Pa-lestine Liberation Organisation

The West German government also fully backs Israel's insistence on the territorial integrity and independence of all states in the region being pre-

Herr Genscher and his 100strong delegation, who arrive in Damascus on tuesday eveNATIONAL NOTES

* AMMAN. - An economic Danish delegation, Monday will arrive here on a short visit for talks with Ministry of Industry and Commerce officials on the possibilities for Danish firms to finance and implement a number of projects, and in particular to discuss

the supply of cold stores to the Aqaba Port Authority.

AMMAN. — A Syrian supply delegation is due to arrive here Monday to discuss bilateral cooperation in the supply field, in particular the construction of grain silos in Jordan.

AMMAN. — The Municipal and Rural Credit Fund Saturday approved a JD 4,000 grant to the Anjara municipality in Irbid

governorate for the asphaltation of streets in the town. * AMMAN. - A delegation from the Japanese Middle East Economic Cooperation Centre will arrive bere Friday on a five-day visit for talks with officials on ways to boost economic relations between Jordan and Japan.

* AMMAN. — A delegation from the Jordanian Chambers of Commerce Union, Saturday morning left for Tripoli, Libya, to attend the five-day meeting of the Council of Arab Chambers of Commerce Union due to start there Sunday.

* AMMAN. - The Higher Council of the Arab Chemists Union will hold its extraordinary session here in July at the invitation of the Cremistry Graduates League of the University of Jordan.

* AMMAN. — The newly appointed Ambassador to Nationalist China, Mr. Riyad Sabri, Saturday presented his letters of credence to the Chinese President.

* AMMAN. - Director General of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) will arrive in Amman on Feb. 9 for talks with officials of the ministry of labour. * AMMAN. — Assistant Secretary General of the Arab League, arrived in Amman for talks with Jordanian officials.

Exports to South Arabia increased by 77%.

AMMAN (JNA). — Figures re-leased by the External Trade Section at the Statistics De-partment showed that Jordan's exports to Saudi Arabia incre-ased by 77 per cent during last September over the same mon-th of 1975 th of 1975.

Jordan's imports from Saudi Arabia increased by 48 per cent during September 1976 over September 1975.

Main exports to Saudi Arabia

Jordan, Syria discuss agricultural regulations

DAMASCUS (JNA). — Meetings of the Joint Jordanian-Syrian Agricultural Committee, specialised in agricultural marketing, pastures, the desert, and agricultural planning and statistics, will start here. Sunday.

Dr. Mohammad Al Lobani, Manager of Jordan's Associa-tion for Agricultural Marketing, announced that the committee will discuss the possibility of unitying agricultural laws and regulations in both countries and that the results will be submitted to the ministers of agriculture in both countries who will meet in March to review the findings of the joint agricultural commit-

Mr. Al Lobani arrived here Saturday leading his countries delegation to the meeting.

included fruits, plastics, medi-cines, cigarettes, paints, readymade clothing, while crude oil topped Jordan's import list from Saudi Arabia.

Figures showed that Jordan's exports to Iraq increased by two per cent during September 1976 over the same month of 1975, while imports increased by 166 per cent during the said

Main exports to Iraq included medicines, marble, paper, cloth and ready-made clothing while Jordan's imports from Iraq included palm dates and lubrication oils.

Economic talks with Egpyt to start Feb. 14

AMMAN (JNA). — Economic talks with Egypt will start in Cairo Feb. 14 official sources announced here Saturday. The two-day talks will aim

at boosing bilateral economic cooperation and increasing bilateral trade exchange, the sources said. The Minister of Industry and

Commerce, Dr. Nejmuddine Al

Daiauf, will head Jordan's delegation in these talks, while Egypt will be represented by bis counterpart 'Mr. Zakaria T. Abdul Fattah. Jordan's main exports to Eg ypt are liquid battaries, lead

and some textile industries. Its imports from Egypt is mainly rice, cotton and paper. Imports from Egypt totalled JD 6.5 million while exports

totalled JD I million.

Exchange Rates

visit to the university Saturday.

Dr. Abdul Salam Al Majali,

where they inspected the diff-

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Upon arrival they were rece-

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Following are the official exchange rates in effect at the start of today's business day, as set by the Central Bank of The first column is bow much

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IRBID (JNA). — The Prime Minister, Mr. Mudar Badran, and the Minister of Education, a number of high ranking employees of the governorate. The Prime Minister was bri-Saturday afternoon paid a visit to Yarmouk University efed by Dr. Badran on the work

Premier Mudar Badran is seen with Minister of Education Abdul Salam Majali (5th from left) and Yarmouk University President Dr. Adnan Badran (4th from left) during the prime minister's

Irbid governor, the mayor and

Badran visits Irbid,

Yarmouk University

plans for the university's permanent location on which construction will be started towards the end of 1977, Dr. Badran said that the complete plans of the university were rea-dy and that out of the onehundred-kms five lines of trees, which would form a belt surrounding the buildings of the university, 15,000 trees had al-ready been planted.

Following that the premier-inspected the different buildings of the university, the departments of science, and arts and the laboratories. He also visited the library which now includes 5,000 books.

During his inspection tour, the Prime Minister stressed the fact that first priority should be given to the hospital of the university which will provide the necessary medical service for the citizens of the area. After his visit to the univer-

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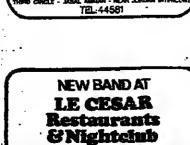


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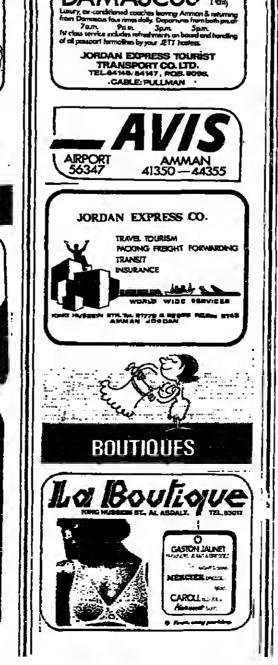
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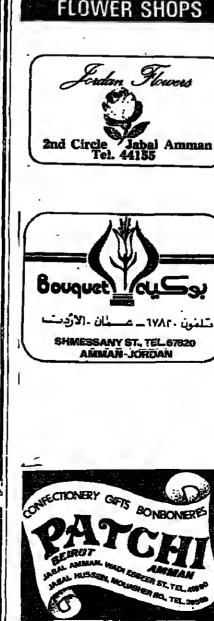
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Soviet prices slashed, for things people don't want

MOSCOW, (CSM). -- The r-hatted, winter-overcoated fur-hatted, crowd jostled and craned around the counter in Moscow's biggest store, GUM. Prices on some Soviet-made cassette tape recorders had just gone down. Suddenly, with e sigh of re-

lief, a man emerged from the melee, the new owner of e small Vyesna ("spring") model that cost him 165 roubles (\$222.75), a markdown of 17.5

The scene highlights much about how the Soviet consumer is faring as 1977 gets un-der way. With loud fanfare, the government has lowered some prices. With much less fanfare, it has raised others. The resulting consumer pic-ture is mixed, in e land where consumers traditionally take a back seat to heavy industry and military needs.

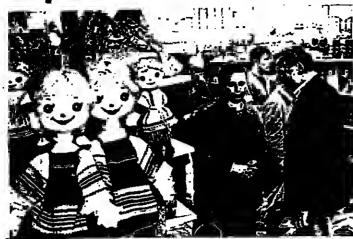
The marked-down tape corder was of everage quali-ty. The much better reel-toreel model on a nearby shelf showed on reduction at 200 roubles (\$270). And the reduc-ed price on the Vyesna was still much more than the everage Russian officially is re-ported to earn each month (146 roubles, or \$197.10).

A tour of Moscow shows thet the items reduced (including refrigerators, light imitation-leather women's boots, e hlack and white model TV set, some knitwear, some electric shavers) are generally of average to poor quality. Some observers see the reductions as the Soviet version of a Jan-

uary sale in the West.

More expensive, however, are just the kind of items that slowly rising expectations here cause consumers to reach out for -- carpets (now up 50 per cent), new books with better hindings (details not known yet), silk fahrics (as much as 70 per cent higher), and clothing made to measure (about 30 per cent).

Although only about 10 per cent of Soviet citizens would use tailoring shops, those whose sizes differ in any way from the standard ones here often de-



price changes mean most better-quality

pend on them -- as do those who decide to get something e

hit better than usual. In addition, the consumer has been warned that taxi fares are to double April 1 to 28 cents per kilometre. This is still cheap by Western stand-ards. Air fares will go up 20 per cent. Boat fares also will

Several hours of price checking reveal just how high prices are here compared to the West, especially given lower everage salaries.

Observers grant that a So-viet family that lives in a tiny apartment or in one room needs fewer possessions than an American family in a house or e spacious apartment. Some costs here are low -- rents, for instance. Health care is

Yet items that most Westerners take for granted still represent hig outlays here. Soviet officials preceded the

price change announcements by several days of public statements that prices here are much more stable than in the West, since "there can be no inflation" in the controlled Soviet economy.

They emphasised that prices

of basic foods and other items would stay the same. And Nikolai Glushkov, chairman of the State Prices Committee, revealed that the government spends more money to keep meat and milk prices down than it admits to spend-ing on defence. The subsidy: 19 billion roubles (\$ 25 billion).

Yet Muscovites and foreigners who live here report that the only cheap meat contains bone and gristle. It varies widely in quality -- and short-ages from the bad harvest in 1975 season continue. Thursdays are still mandatory "meatless days" in Moscow resta-

Good cuts of meat can cost about \$5 per kilogram. For people in service industries (teachers, nurses, etc.), who earn about \$130 a month, that can

add up.
Of the items that have been reduced in Soviet shops, one young Muscovite sniffed: "They are the ones that no one wants." And there is some truth in his comment, though be was not completely right.

Only medium to poor quality vacuum cleaners were marked down (from \$62 to \$51). The top model was reduced only \$1.35 (from \$79.65 to \$78.30). Only the smallest refrigerators were lower (down from \$ 230 to \$216.) Larger Seratov models, which are far more popular, are as high as \$450, with imports up to \$675.

U.S. Small-car sales dip slows

WASHINGTON, D.C. (CSM). car sales may be at an end.
"This trend is not likely to go much further," asserts Henry Ford II, chairman of Ford Motor Company, "but neither is it likely to be reversed in the near future." Small cars accounted for 52

per cent of industry sales in pped to about 48 per cent in 1976. In the first few months of the 1977-model year, which began in September, the smallcar share of the market sank slightly more, to 47 per cent. As a result of the decline,

the carmakers were sent into e spin as they tried to edjustinventories to meet the unexpected consumer demand. Manufacturers cut prices

and offered rebates on some low-line cars so as to move them out of the showroom.

Because of the overall move towards larger-size cars, the auto industry has excess smallcar capacity and insufficient capacity to maintain normal dealer stocks of mid-size and full-size models.

"Unless more consumers decide to buy small cars," predicts Mr. Ford, "total car sales will continue to be constrained next year by shortages of

Because of fuel-economy at-andards that begin to take eff-ect with the 1978-model cars



Ford Pinto: Has the U.S. downturn in small-car sales halted?

next autumn, manufacturers are reluctant to convert smallcar production capacity to larger-size cars to meet immediate market demands.

Federal law requires that the total car-production capacity of each manufacturer everage out to 18 miles per gallon with the '78-model cars. If some cars provide poorer mileage on the road, a carmaker has to build a larger number of smaller cars to offset the effect of the lower-mileage, cars.

"We cannot invest substantially in larger-car capacity that we will soon be unable to laments Mr. Ford.

"It is difficult to estimate many car sales have been and will be lost because of this aituation. But it is obvious the depressing effect of

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fuel-economy standards on car sales and industry employment will become increasingly serious as the federal fuel-economy requirement rises from 18 miles per gallon for the 1978model year to 27.5 miles per gallon by 1985."

European cars overall are smaller and lighter in weight than American-built cars. As a result, the average fuel economy across Europe is around 25 miles per gallon today. U.S. carmakers have e far more difficult job ahead of them to meet the higher mileage requirements of the mid-1980s.

Looking ahead, Mr. Ford expects total world retail truck and car sales this year to hit 35 million thits, up per cent from 1976.

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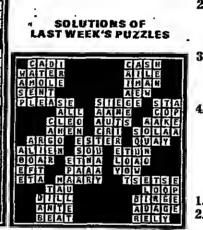
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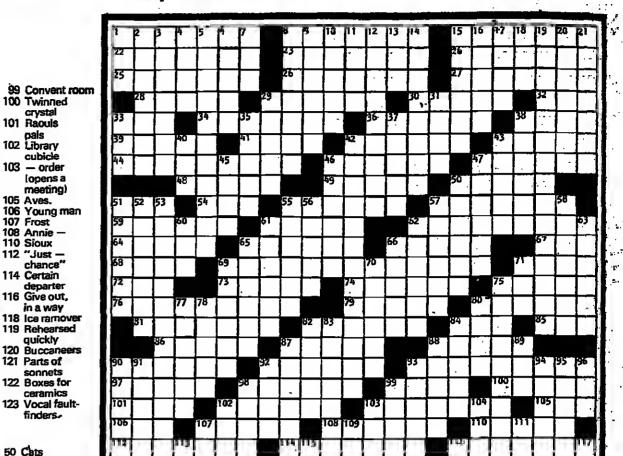
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Huge guy gave toy hare to brave boy. We'll surely have solar energy when someone devises a way for companies to get e depletion allowance for the sun. 3. Slugging fighter and vanquished foe did not have equal rights.

Ashtrays catch stray ash.

By Judith Frutig

The Christian Science Monitor News Service

WASHINGTON, D.C. -Fueled by continuing publicity

HINWEIS

Von Dienstag, dem 8. Februar 1977 bis Samstag, dem 12. Februar 1977 bleibt die Botschaft der Bundesrepublik Deutschland für den Besucherverkehr geschlossen. -

Am Samstag, dem 12. Februar 1977 ist die Botschaft für dringende Fälle in der Zeit von 9.00-12.00 Uhr geöffnet.

NOTICE

The Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany shall remain closed for visitors from Tuesday, 8th February 1977, until Saturday, 12th February 1977, when visits on that day (Saturday 12/2/1977) will be limited to emergency cases from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

growing concern among Washington, D.C. legislators, e U.S. Coast Guard probe into Alas-20th century.' kan oil tanker safety is under

way in Juneau. At issue is the edequacy of industry-set standards covering tanker design and navigati-onal methods. The focus is on American ships scheduled to sail the West Coast oil-tanker

But the outcome, according to concerned representatives of industry, government and envi-ronmental organisations, could increase shipping costs, and in so doing cause higher U.S. co-nsumer prices for North Slope gasoline and home heating oil. The tanker design standards involve the hull thickness and manoeuverability of the ves-

sels. State officials in Alaska, Washington, Oregon, and California have volced concern, particularly over the interim fleet -- compromising mostly older ships -- that is being assembled by five oil compan-That fleet is being mustered

in the wake of growing uncertaintles over the destination of the rich, Arctic Slope crude

A study compiled by Alaska officials indicates that the oil industry promised more than a year ago that West Coast sunertankers slated to transport oil from the southern pipeline terminus at Valdez would be "thoroughly modern and uni-que." Despite this, the study says, most of the ships would pass only minimal design and safety standards.

"The oil companies are not prepared," says Alaska pipeline coordinator Charles A. Champion in e telephone inter-view. "All the things we're asking for are already included in LNG .(liquid natural gas) tankers. And yet crude-oil transportation people refuse to consider safeguards. All we're doing is attempting to bring the tanker industry into the

Spokesmen for the five oil companies involved in the initial tanker operation -- Atlan-tic Richfield, Standard Oil of California, Standard Oil of Ohio (Sohio), Exxon and Mohil have issued statements saying their ships are safe, manoeuverable and up to U.S. Coast Guard standards.

Under federal law, Alaskan oil must be transported to the lower states in American-registered ships. But in another set of hearings in Los Angeles — prohing whether state authorities there should bring California standards up to the tougher laws already in effect in Alaska -- Rear Admiral Robert Price, commandant of the ct, has challenged the assum-ption that tanker-safety problems are caused by unseaworthy foreign flag vessels.

The Liberian fleet, be said, which currently transports 94 per cent of all imported U.S. oil, is younger and more efficient than the U.S. tanker fle-The question of navigational

safety standards involves a section of the Trans-Alaskan shipping routes known as the Va-ldez Narrows, e treacherous 2 1/2-mile bend between Valdez and Prince William Sound. Tankers proceeding through the narrows must perform e long, slow turn, a manoeuver comp-licated by e mid-channel obs-truction known as "Middle

Pipeline Prince William Sound Gulf of Alaska Miles 50

ich ranges from 350 to 70 et, coupled which Coast G regulations, specifying that ly one tanker may sail channel at a time, vitually arantees a high level of

But state and Coast G. But state and Coast officials counter that the rows are frequently subject snowstorms, rain squalls, cular gale-force winds and avy fog that at times hiot even radar readings.

The major questions b ings include: - Tanker pilot training. ast Guard regulation sti te that pilots must comit

before actually taking the eel of e loaded supertar.
Despite this, pilot masters
ve not yet begun their
site training.

— Use of tugboats. S
officials and environmenta officials and environment are in favour of tugboats corting tankers through

narrows. Industry spokes are on record as firmly inst. -- Agreemen: over how vere weather conditions I become before the port en

dered a crucial point beca pipeline profits depend on ady tanker traffic.

--Effect of "Middle Re on navigational safety Du a computer simulation tes Holland recently, tanker pio tended to over-compensate the rock. In several cases, ey actually ran the ship a

und on the shoals, an ac which could have meant r. hive and costly oil spills. On April 1, the five oil mpanies are scheduled to unch their first test-run o supertanker through the rows. The ship will be e 120, deadweight ton vessel proed hy Atlantic Richfield.

GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF

© 1977 by Chicago Tribune Q.1—Both-vulnerable; Soutb yon hold: +65 ♥AQ762 ♦Q963 493 The bidding has proceeded: West North East South O Pass Pass ?

What action do you take?

.-Pass. We are not usually inclined to sell out cheaply, but in-dications are that partner does not have very much. He could not overcall or make a takeout double, despite indications that be might be short in diamonds. It looks as if West has a very powerful hand, so don't give him a chance to show it.

Q.2-East-West vulnerable, as South you bold: +987 ♥KQ53 ◆AJ107 +QZ The bidding has proceeded: South West North East Pass Pass Pass 1 > Pasa Dble. Pass

What action do you take? ·

A.—Pass, This is rather unusual action at the one-level with only four trumps but you can expect to scora three tricks in the ecemy suit and have other goodies besides. With so much of your strength coocentrated in the enemy suit, you don't rate to the enemy suit, you don't rate to make game opposite a partner who could oot open in third seat and is oow balancing. This decision is based strictly oo the vulnerability. If East-West were oot vulnerable, it would be unsuited to play for a small negative \$\text{A1062} \times 93 \circ \text{KQJ7 4A97} wise to play for a small penalty when you have a valuable part-score in the offing.

Q.3-As South, valuerable, you hold: ♦983 ♥AJ62 ♦J6 ♣AQ105 The bidding has proceeded: North East South West 1 ♦ Pass 1 ♥ Pass 3NT Pass ? What do you bid now?

A.-If partner is an aggressive bidder, you should be satisfied to raise to four no trump-he won't refuse the invitation on any hand that stands a chance for slam. However, if your partner is the kind who wears a belt and suspenders, you should just up

four ordinary words.

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RALLUP

'esterday's

Q.4-As South, vulnerable. you bold:

as \$10962 . Q9643 ♦A7 4K8 The bidding has proceeded: North East South West Pass 1 ♥ 1 ♠ 10 20 2 🕈 What do you bid now?

> A.—Four hearts. This is not the time to put partner undar pressure with a namby-pamby bid of three hearts. The opponents' hidding marks partner with a singleton spade, and the high eards between the two hands are all working, so hid what you expect to make.

Q.5—Neitber vulnerable, as South you hold: **♦J865** ♥A9652 ♦J5 **♦Q**4 The bidding has proceeded: North East South

1 ♦ Dble. ? What action do you take?

A.—There is no reason not to make your natural bid of one heart, which you would have done had there been oo interference. If you pass, you will have no safe way of showing

your values on the oext round, eod your side could get frozen out of the auction when the hand belongs to you.

The bidding has proceeded: North East South West

1 ♥ Pasa 1 + Pass 2NT Pass ? What do you bid now?

A.—Simple addition should lead you to the right bid—six no trump. You have a balanced hand

of 14 points opposite a partner whn has shown a balanced 19-20. But we don't mind if you stop to bid three diamoods en route. If partner has four-card support.

six diamonds might be a safer

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Bob Lea

WASHINGTON

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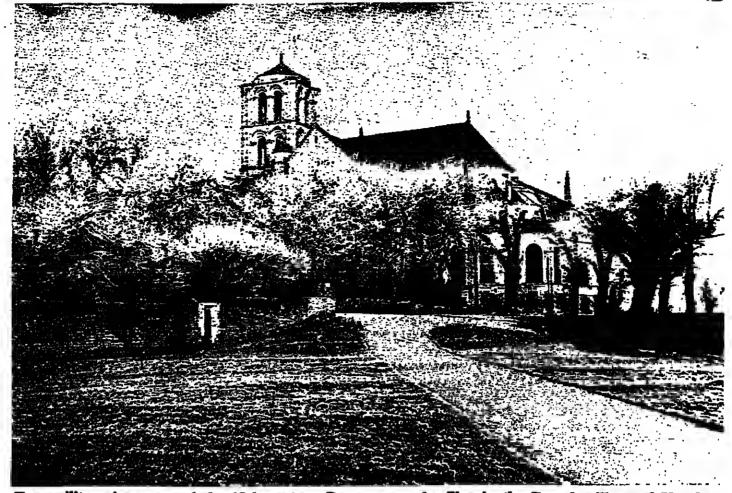
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Answers Tuesday

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THE BETTER HALF. By Barnes

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That's favoritism-you dragged me out of my electric blanket long before I was done."

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: A day when you can be of real service to others. A time to reflect your thoughts and rejoice in being able to help others. Take time to make your surroundings more attractive.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) A morning duty could be annoying but later you'll have time for pleasure. Don't neglect to meditate. Take health treatments. TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20] You are inspired how to

make the future brighter, so put your ideas to work. Get together with congenials and express happiness. GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Get rid of whatever is

confusing around you. Patch up any differences you may

have with closest ties. Be wise. MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21] Not a good day to go on a trip you had planned. Obtain the

information you need for the week ahead. LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Your monetary matters are not as you want them to be, so avoid being so overly generous

with others. Don't neglect philosophical studies. VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Don't criticize others in stating your views. Know what your personal aims are

before going after them. Express happiness. LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) You have many small duties to attend early in the day. Make your plans

carefully for the days ahead. Do nothing to irk others. SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Make plans to go after personal aims and be more positive for best results. Keep an eye on a foe who is jealous of you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) After attending the services of your choice, start eliminating any mistakes you may have made recently. Visit friends later.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) A new acquaintance makes suggestions that are not good for you, so don't follow them. Make plans for the new week.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Handle those duties that are difficult to take care of during busy work week. Be sure to exercise care in motion.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Friends are not likely to agree with your wishes during day but tonight are most cooperative. Strive for happiness.

THE BETTER HALF By Barnes



'Mind picking up Charlatte Davis at the airport? She have called her husband, but was afraid he'd catch cold."

PEANUTS



REMEMBER THE LAST TIME YOU WERE HERE ? WE SAT IN THE BARN BECAUSE IT WAS RAINING AND...





THE FLINTSTONES



MUTT AND JEFF



Spain increases military budget to curb armed forces' discontent

MADRID, Feb. 5 (R). — The The decree did not fix the Spanish government increased amount but said the governthe military budget today in an apparent move to curb discontent in the armed forces after recent political violence.

Ten people, including three policemen, were killed and a senior army general kidnapped in last week's violence which the government denounced as a plot to provoke the armed forces and block Spain's transition democracy.

A royal decree in the official gazette promised funds to complete the armed forces' 1976-1979 modernisation plan. extended for another three years due to rising costs.

"Omens good" for Euro-Arab talks

TUNIS, Feb. 5 (R). — Tunisian Foreign Minister Habib Chatti said today "the omens are good" for a meeting here next week of Common Market and Arab League representatives to discuss scientific, commercial and financial cooperation.

M. Chatti told reporters the Common Market had once regarded the Euro-Arab dialogue as "an exchange of oil for machines", but was now ready to discuss politics as well.

A basis for a fruitful exchange of views now existed, he

Bahraini-dinar

loan arranged

BAHRAIN, Feb. 5 (R) ~ The

first international loan de-nominated in Bahraini cur-

and although it was only

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (A-FP). — The disastrous cold

spell in the United States has

made it harder for the U.S.

administration to "sell" Presi-

dent Jimmy Carter's moderate

economic growth programme

paralysis of the big industrial areas in the East and the Great

Lakes region, where thousands

of factories have had to close

down for lack of gas.

This has provided fresh fuel for the critics of the program-

me, who, like the powerful

AFL-ClO union, consider that

injecting \$31,000 million into

the economy over two years would just not be enough to

achieve a satisfactory growth

Senator Hubert Humpbrey.

a staunch champion of expan-

sionist policies, has affirmed,

citing a Congress Library stu-dy as evidence, that the in-

crease in the fuel bill because

of the cold will atone cost an average of \$139 a household,

or some \$8,400 million in all.

In addition, \$1,600 million in

wages would be lost as a result of the cold wave, which

would thus cost Americans

somewhere around \$10,000 mil-

lion total, according to Mr. Humphrey's reckoning.

the amount that the Carter administration intends to pump

into the economic circuits this

Administration spokesmen.

including Treasury Secretary Michael Blumenthal and Char-

les Schultze, chief of the White

House economic advisers, have

sought to persuade congress-

men during hearings before

various congressional panels this week that it would be un-

wise to boost the lump sum of

about \$ 15,500 million propos-

However, their statements have appeared somewhat con-

Mr. Schultze said that it wo-

uld be possible to boost the

aid flow at a later date, when

the economic effects of the cold

wave had been assessed more

Mr. Blumenthal, on the other

ed by Mr. Carter for 1977.

tradictory on some points.

year to encourage growth.

This would be two-thirds of

The cold has caused a partial

to Congress.

put on offer yesterday.

The decree did not fix the ment would spend what was necessary to realise the plan designed to bring the Spanish armed forces up to NATO sta-

Spain does not belong to NATO, although the United States and some other countries favour its entry into alliance following the death of Gen.

Only three weeks ago, the government gave the armed forces an additional 4,530 million pesetas (£41 million) to buy new equipment despite an economic recession.

The decree was signed by King Juan Carlos, at the gove-rnment's recommendation, on Jan. 25 - the day after urban guerrillas kidnapped Lt. Gen. Emilio Villaescusa Quilis, President of the Supreme Council of Military Justice.

The kidnapping angered Spanish generals who had already been grumbling that military needs were being neglected in Spain's rush to dismantle the political system of the late Gen.

A navy captain was sacked as vice director of the Naval Warfare School early this week after a public row with the first deputy premier, Lt. Gen. Manuel Gutierrez Mellado.

He had shouted "honour is more important than discipline" when Gen. Gutierrez

tary men chanting anti-gover-nment slogans at the funeral of the three policemen shot by urban guerrillas.

King Juan Carlos today saw the Second Deputy Premier, Senor Alfonso Osorio Garcia, amid press speculation on an impending cabinet resbuffle.

Among the possible changes mentioned was putting an army general in charge of the Interior Ministry to crack down on urban guerrillas.

Opposition sources said they expected Prime Minister Ado-lfo Suarezo change three or four ministers -- but not immediately because he did not want to create the impression that the guerrillas had succeeded in provoking a government

Senor Suarez has taken the line that the best way to deal with the outburst of extremist violence is to remain calm and press on with democratic parliamentary elections in the

Senor Manuel Fraga, Interior Minister until last July, told a press conference that the government was in a delicate situation and measures taken by the government so far to halt the violence were not enough.

The government has banned demonstrations, given police broad powers of search and ordered strict controls on gun



OFF THE TRACKS -- Elevated train cars lie on the street in downtown Chicago Friday night following the crash of two commuter trains. (AP wirephoto).

Kenya voices its concern at Tanzania's closure of border

is owned by Tanzania, Kenya and Uganda.

nored a request for an explan-

ation of the border closure.

Kenya said Tanzania had lg-

A statement called for the

immediate release of all Ken-

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hicles and property in Tanza-

NAIROBI, Feb. 5 (R). — Kenya today voiced concern at Tanzania's closure of the border between the two countries which tourist operators said had stranded hundreds of Kenyans and foreigners in Tanzania.

The Tanzanian government stopped all movements across the frontier yesterday in the

Kenyan border posts were reported to have opened norwake of a row over the gro-unding of the debt-ridden East . African Airways (EAA) which mally today but Tanzania authorities were refusing to allow travellers in or out of the

country.

Tanzania Foreign Ministry officials have said "stricter controls" were being enforced in the frontier area. Kenyan-registered aircraft have been banned from flying over Tanzania and authorities there were reported to bave impoun-ded Kenyan tourist buses.

The kenyan government statement said: "In the interests

of tranquility, good neighbour-liness and the welfare of the people of the two nations, there is need for promoting measures conducive to the stability of the region as a whole."

Tanzania has accused Kenya of unilaterally grounding East African Airways last week after the airline became unable to pay its fuel bills.

Kenya has since set up its own national carrier, Kenya Airways, whose maiden flight arrived in Nairobl today from

The leased Boeing 707 was greeted by thousands of people, including a delegation from the ruling Kenyan African National Union (KANU).

The airliner later left for Mombasa on the Indian Ocean coast. It was due to return later in the day and leave for

S. Philippine rebels get amnesty call

MANILA, Feb. 5 (AFP). — President Ferdinand Marcos today proclaimed a conditional amnesty for Muslim rebels in the southern Philippines, on the eve of crucial talks to end the autonomists' revolt.

The amnesty offer, contained in a presidential martial law decree, applies to 13 provinces and 11 cities in the Mindanao-Sulu region where a ceasefire has been declared, temporarily halting four years of fighting between government forces and Muslim rebels.

Last night a government pa-nel left for Tripoli, Libya, to resume negotiations with the rebel Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) on a peace agre-

ement in the south.

The talks, to start Monday under the mediation of Libya and the Islamic Conference, will work out the details of a proposed autonomous Muslim region to be set up in Mindanao-Sulu 811 kms south of Ma-

Defence Undersecretary Carmelo Barbero, bead of the go-vernment negotiating panel in the Tripoli talks, last night estimated 21,111 people had died in fighting in the south since 1972, including 11,111 civilians and 10,000 combatants.

He said that, because of the heavy loss on lives and property, it would be "almost criminal" for the government and the MNLF not to come to a final settlement.

Under a tentative agreement reached in a first round of talks in Tripoll last December, a Muslim autonomous region is to be set up out of 13 provin-ces with substantial Muslim

populations. Mr. Marcos said however that a plebiscite would first be held in the provinces to find out if the people wanted to join the autonomous region, which would have courts, internal security forces and financial, administrative and educa-

tional systems of its own.

Today's amnesty decree was aimed primarily at hard-core elements of the MNLF -- officially estimated to number 8.011 -- who have remained in the hills.

U.K. football round-up

Liverpool strides on to 2nd championship

LONDON, Feb. 5 (R).. — Liverpool strode on towards their second league championship in a row with a 4-1 win over Bir-

mingham today. With Ipswich, their chief pursuers, kept idle by the mud, Liverpool stretched their lead to three points --, though Ipswich have four matches in hand

and Mancbester City, bracke-ted second with them, have three matches in hand. Liverpool were behind in the first minute, thanks to a typical piece of opportunism by Kenny Burns. But a penalty by Phil Neal put them level and two goals by John Toshack took them ahead before

Steve Heighway completed the Manchester City kept themselves in contention with a 2-0 win at Stoke. With neighbouring Mancbester United maintaining their revival with a 3-1 win over Derby, it was a good day for Manchester.

An Andy Gray header --his 24th goal of the season -put Villa on the path to a 2-0 win over Everton; and Middlesbrough, thanks to two David Mills goals in two minutes, beat Tottenham similarly.

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Arsenal alone of the chasing group lost ground. They pla-yed a goalless draw at home with bottom-placed Sunderland. There was more action off the ball than on it when a youth ran across the pitch and lash-ed at two Sunderland players

before police moved in. Chelsea consolidated their lead in the second division with a 1-0 win at Carlisle despite losing top scorer Steve Finnieston early on with a broken jaw. Bolton flopped 3-0 at Millwall and weakened their hold on second place.

Wolves beat Nottingham Forest 2-1 in the match for current third place in division two. Willie Carr put them ahead and Larry Lloyx, with a hap-less header into his own net, made it two. Substitute Bob Chapman got a late goal but Wolves stretched their unbeaten league and cup run to 11

matches. With Hereford and Orient out of action because of their own muddy pitches, the bottom of the table has an unreal look. Burnley and Plymouth suffered 2-0 defeats and, like Carlisle, missed the chance to pull clear of the relegation area.

Brighton, fired by the exciting young Peter Ward's 22nd goal of the season, beat Preston 2-0 but Mansfield also had two goals to spare against close challengers Rotherham and retain second place, four points behind.

In division four cambridge dropped a home point to Exeter but Colchester scored the only goal against Rochdale and nudged ahead of the chasing group.

Moscow: We onl seek arms parit

MOSCOW, Feb. 5 (R). — The Soviet Union today published its first detailed public rebuttal of charges that it was striving for a lead in the arms race, and called on the United States to move quickly towards a new

strategic arms limitation (SALT) agreement. Dr. Georoy Arbatov, a sen-ior Soviet official who plays an important role in formula-ting policy towards the United States, appealed to President Carter's administration to re-ject what he called "the big lie" that the Kremlin was see-

Chicago train wreck kills 11

CHICAGO, Feb. 5 (R). — Eleven peopla were killed and 172 injured when two of Chicago's packed commuter trains crashed on an overhead rail-way during the rush hour last night, two carriages plunging six metres to the street below.

Two other carriages were left dangling from the track

in the city centre. Dozens of passengers were trapped in the twisted wreck-age of Chicago's worst rail accident since 1972.

A Transit Authority spokesman said an eight-corriage train appeared to have crashed into the rear of a six-carriage train at a sharp curve in the track.

Both trains were equipped with safety systems designed to prevent such a crash, and the spokesman said the cause was still being investigated. Some of the injured were

reported in critical conditon. One eyewitness said the carriages tumbled off the track like a toy train moving too fast. "Then there was only metal and people screaming."

Survivors scrambled from the wreckage and ran into the snow-covered streets for help at nearby bars, restaurants and stores where emergency medical centres were set up.

Dr. Arbatov, in an unu frank comment on alleg against the Soviet Union on Kremlin strategic this argued that the Russian build-up in recent years!
aimed at eliminating the
vantage held by the U,i

And, m a clear refeto fears of a danger China, he declared the Soviet Union had to me a massive standing and defend huge land for "close to which there a from only friendly state.

Dr. Arbatov, Director

Moscow Institute for the to of the U.S. and Canade Soviet weapon develor including that of long bombers and muliple warheads (MIRVS), had i been in response to U novations.

His article, published Communist Party daily | but clearly directed towa external rather than it audience, insisted that if powers had now estal the approximate parity ded for under bilateral

The article appeared at ter new U.S. Secreta State Cyrus Vance, d Moscow at the end of] had declared that Wash was hoping to move the negotiations out of thei rent stalemate in the ne

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of President Makarios.

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Cyprus holds 5 for mur

NICOSIA, Feb. 5 (AFP). — Five persons arrested bere yes-terday in connection with the 1974 slaying of U.S. Ambassa-dor Rodger Davies and bis secretary were today remanded in custody for eight days.

A sixth suspect, former police Sergeant Yannakis Ktimatias, was already serving a th-

unlawful possession of fire-

The five arrested yes were charged in a l court this morning and Police, in a sudden move



SUSPECTS -- Two of the Greek-Cypriot suspects held by I authorities in connection with the death of the late U.S. A sador Davies are seen under police guard Saturday. The Neoptolemos Leftis (moustache) and Loizos Sava. (AP wire;

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

DELGRADE, Feb. 5 (AFF). — Mr. Farouk Kaddoumi, het the Palestine Liberation Organisation's (PLO) Political D. ment, left here last night after a 24-hour visit during while conferred three times with Yugoslav Foreign Minister Minic. The talks were mainly about the latest moves tow resumption of the Geneva conference on the Middle Fast were resumption of the Geneva conference on the Middle East, as ing to a communique. The PLO and Yugoslav points of vis the Middle East and the settlement of the Palestinian pr were "perfectly concordant", the communique said.

PHICAGO, Feb. 5 (AFP). - A Chicago secretary who got because she refused to make coffee for her bosses is them for sexual discrimination. Secretary Iris Rivera, who a coffee drinker herself, explained that making coffee for male lawyers she worked for was not part of her job.

EL AVIV, Feb. 5 (R). — Israel's prison population rose b to 5,852 last year, the commissioner of prisons has said Mr. Haim Levi told a meeting of prison officers yesterday the majority of prisoners -- 3,227 -- were Arabs jailed "security" offences, an increase of 502 on 1975.

AIPEI, Feb. 5 (AFP). - A 30-year-old woman was kilk. Chinese Communist bombardment of the nationalist-helland of Quemoy last Thursday, according to reports reachere today. The woman was reportedly hit in the face by a believed to contain propaganda pamphlets, while carrying one-year-old son to an air-raid shelter, the child was unknown.

THENS, Feb. 5 (R). - Offices of the Greek Communist were damaged in bomb attacks in three areas of Athens t police said. There were no casualties and the attackers esc

HARTOUM, Feb. 5 (R). Sudanese authorities today arrest. A sergeant alleged to be the ringleader of last Wedness rebellion at Juba, capital of the Sudan's southern provinct which 10 people were killed, the Sudan News Agency repo The arrest of Sergeant Paul Fock follows that of 18 othersthe attempted seizure of Juba airport by a local air def

Italy adopts tax package designed to check prices

rency bas been launched for the Philippines by an American finance company, Kidder, Peabody Incorporated, a ROME, Feb. 5 (R). - The company spokesman said Italian government bas annohere today. The eight mil-lion dinars (£12 million) loan issue has three of Bahrain's new offshore baunced a 1.400 billion lire (£930 nks as co-managers, according to Kidder, Peabody's Mr. Mahdi Tanamli, who

said the loan agreement was expected to be signed Mr. Tanamli told Reuter the issue price would be set on signing and that the issue had already atkeep down their prices. tracted considerable dem-

million) tax package designed

contributions to employees' social security benefits and thus

Cold weather hampers Carter

effort to boost U.S. economy

band, said he did not believe any additional incitements wo-uld be necessary because eco-nomic recovery had proved be-tter than anticipated in Decem-

Mr. Arthur Burns, bead of

the Federal Reserve System, whose term in this office will

expire early next year, emerged Friday as a somewhat

reluctant ally of the White

Giving testlmony before the House Banking Committee, he praised Mr. Carter's programme and criticised it at the same

time. While pledging support he implied that he was not

convinced of its necessity. "It

is not clear to me that any

stimulus is required," he said.

"I would have preferred to

Iran considers

Spanish deals

MADRID, Feb. 5 (R). - Spain,

which has a huge trade deficit

ly heavy machinery and engi-

neering products, worth some

Mr. Hoveyda told a news

conference after a two-day offi-

cial visit that technical experts

were working to iron out dif-

ficulties before various cont-

difficulties, but said the ac-

cords include building homes,

hospitals, stockyards, shipping

facilities and cement factories.

Joint ventures by spanish com-

panies in Iran were involved.

Spain could help Iran develop

electricity grids, communica-

tions systems railways, he said.

He did not elaborate on the

racts could be signed.

every field, he said.

\$150 million.

House.

wait a little."

to curb labour costs and help industrialists hold down their Announced last night in a bid to check soaring inflation, the measure is intended to en-

plies is to be made up by increased taxes.

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At a seven-bour cabinet meeting last night, ministers de-cided to increase the basic value-added tax rate from 12 to 14 per cent and to stand-ardise the rate for luxury goods at 35 per cent.

Ministers said this would reduce the estimated rise in labour costs by about five per cent and add just over one per cent to consumer prices.

The government hopes to The loss to social security funds which this cut-back im-

Mr. Burns also said he did-not believe that the weather

would have any lasting econo-

mic repercussions, and that the

United States was likely to experience solid economic gro-

wth this year. As he has repe-

atedly done in the past, Mr.

Burns waroed that the threat

of inflation must be taken seri-

And he paid tribute to the

president for putting together a "smaller, more prudent" sch-eme than the vigorously expan-

sionist programme many quar-

little influence on the liberal Democrat congressmen, but

the feeling in political quarters

bere was that they might belp the administration secure the

support of a number of Repub-

Mr. Burns' views may bave

ters pressed him to adopt.

wage rises, calculated every three months, are responsible for much of Ita'y's 20 per cent inflation rate. But trade union leaders have refused to accept any cut-back in these rises except for high income earners. Government ministers decid-

cluded in a calculations for au-

tomatic wage increases peg-

ged to the rise in the cost of living.

industrialists believe automatic

Government ministers and

ed to reduce employers' contributions to social security schemes as the only way of cutting labour costs other than curbing wage increases, a po-licy which had been firmly opposed by the country's powerful, communist-dominated tr-

ade union movement.
Observers said last night's package, worked out after a lengthy meeting the previous day with parliamentary leaders of all parties supporting Signor Giulio Andreotti's minority government, appeared to be the government's final bid

to bring the economic crisis under control. But doubts remained in some quarters about whether any economic package could be fully successful if it left the system of automatic three-monthly wage increases basically un-

touched. Italian newspaper commentators today reached with scep-ticism to the government's new austerity package, expressing

fears that it might accelerate rather than halt inflation. The influential Milan daily Corriere Della Sera said "the government decisions seem clearly insufficient," and added that they might be effective

only in the long term. Their votes might offset th-The tax increases, however, will prove inflationary within ose of the expansionist wing of the Democratic majority and a short time." the newspaper

belp Mr. Carter carry the day. ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS

with Iran because of oil imports, could double or triple its exports there in the next WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (AFP). — Unemployment in the U.S. fell from 7.8 to 7.3 per cent between December and January, but statisticians appear unsure of the reason. Jobless two or three years, Iranian Prime Minister Amir Abbas Hoveyda said here last night. fell 560,000 to seven million while the officially available work-force dropped by 440,000. It is this latter reduction which the Department of Labour is unable to explain. A department spokesman said that, due to the cold wave and the deteriora-Spain could play an important part in Iran's development in Spain imports about \$750 million in goods - mainly oil tion on the labour market, some people out of a job may have given up looking for work. -- from Iran, and sells it most-

ONDON, Feb. 5 (AFP). — More new cars were sold in Britain last month than in any month since last July, the Car Manufacturers' Association announced today. But sales were still 13 per cent lower than during January last year. The most popular foreign-made cars last month were Fords (8,299 of them were purchased), Fiats (6,597), Renaults (5,109) and Datsuns (4,583), A total of 114,096 cars were bought. Foreign cars accounted for 43 per cent of that -- the lowest percentage since July but higher than in the preceding January, when only 32.5 per cent

VIENNA, Feb. 5 (AFP). — Loans totalling \$33.8 million have been made to 10 developing countries by the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), it was announced here. Beneficiaries are: Rwanda (\$1.7 million), Sengal (3.4m) Chad (2.4m), Ghana (7.8m), Laos (2.15m), Ethiopia (4.8m), Sierra Leone (2m), Niger (2.9m), Burundi (1.7m) and Cameroun (4.95m). Since December, more than \$150 million have been advanced to developing countries by OPEC.

of cars sold were foreign.

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